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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021] Embodiments of the present invention can be implemented as a program product for use with a computer system such as, for example, the clustered computer system 8 shown in Figure 1 and described below. The program(s) of the program product defines functions of the embodiments (including the methods described below with reference to Figures 3-5) and can be contained on a variety of ~~[[signal-bearing]]~~ computer readable storage media. Illustrative ~~signal-bearing~~ computer readable storage media include, but are not limited to: (i) information permanently stored on non-writable storage media (e.g., read-only memory devices within a computer such as CD-ROM disks readable by a CD-ROM drive); or (ii) alterable information stored on writable storage media (e.g., floppy disks within a diskette drive or hard-disk drive), ~~[[~~ or (iii) information stored on such media may be conveyed to a computer by a communications medium, such as through a computer or telephone network, including wireless communications. The latter embodiment specifically includes information downloaded from the Internet and other networks. Such ~~signal-bearing~~ computer readable storage media, when carrying computer-readable instructions that direct the functions of the present invention, represent embodiments of the present invention.